



Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Seminar (DBE)

Wednesday, December 3, 2008

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

City Council Chambers

10 North Second Street, Harrisburg, PA

Small businesses throughout the region are invited to a DBE Seminar presented by:

- * Mayor's Office of Economic Development & Special Projects**
- * Harrisburg Redevelopment Authority (HRA)**
- * PA Department of Transportation's Bureau of Equal Opportunity**
- * Cheyney University's Supportive Services Center**

This informative seminar is presented to familiarize business owners with the upcoming renovations at the historic Harrisburg Transportation Center. This Seminar will also provide information that will assist minority, women, and other small business owners in obtaining the necessary expertise and experience to compete for federally-assisted contracts and subcontracts.

The seminar is free and open to all business owners; however, registration is required. Register prior to Monday, December 1, 2008 by calling: (717) 255-3027.

Program Sponsored by

**Stephen R. Reed, Mayor
Harrisburg City Council**

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Seminar Overview

Recently, the Harrisburg Redevelopment Authority (HRA) received a grant from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for additional renovations at the historic Harrisburg Transportation Center. As part of the FTA grant requirements, the Harrisburg Redevelopment Authority is providing opportunities for certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) to participate in HRA's federally-funded transportation project.

To facilitate outreach efforts for this transportation renovation project, HRA and the Mayor's Office of Economic Development and Special Projects, have joined with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation's Bureau of Equal Opportunity and Cheyney University of Pennsylvania.

This informative DBE Seminar is presented to encourage Minority, Women, and other small businesses to become certified as Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) (49 CFR Part 26) to be utilized on the federally-funded Harrisburg Transportation Center Project.

The DBE Supportive Services Center, a shared initiative of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), is the administrator of the DBE Supportive Services Program for Pennsylvania. The mission of the Center is to provide training and consulting services that will enable DBEs to acquire the proficiency, expertise and experience necessary to compete, on an equal basis, with non-DBEs for federally-assisted contracts and subcontracts. This seminar is also intended to help build your business's "bottom line."

During the Networking Session, staff will be available to provide additional information or to schedule one-on-one appointments.

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Seminar Agenda

Welcome and Remarks:	Honorable Stephen R. Reed, Mayor City of Harrisburg, PA
Introduction of Partners	Bryan Davis, Executive Director Harrisburg Redevelopment Authority
Brief Comments by Partners:	Edward L. Nielsen, Director Mayor's Office of Economic Development and Special Projects, City of Harrisburg Jocelyn Harper, Director Bureau of Equal Opportunity PA Department of Transportation
Introduction of Carlton Brooks	Ms. Jocelyn Harper
DBE Supportive Services Center	Carlton Brooks, Interim Director and the Center's Supportive Staff
Brief Comments by Certified DBE Firms:	Eugene Marsh, President/CEO Construction Project Management Services Princeton, NJ Shariz Sugarwala, President/CEO Penn State Electrical/Mechanical Supply Co. Lancaster, PA Ben Washington, President Washington & Dowling General Contractors York, PA
Questions & Answers	Invited Guests
Presentation of Citation to Cheyney University DBE Supportive Services Center	Edward Nielsen
Closing Remarks	Edward Nielsen
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Refreshments & Networking Council Chambers and Caucus Room

DBE Partners

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Refreshments provided by the Hilton Hotel, Harrisburg, PA